

Remarks

Claims 1-15 and 17-30 are pending. Claim 16 has been canceled. Entry of the amendment is respectfully requested. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

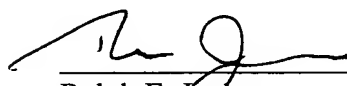
Claims 1, 28, 29, and 30 are independent claims. Claims 29-30 were already allowed. Claims 9-11, 13, and 15-22 were indicated allowable if written in an independent form. Claim 1 has been amended in view of the Examiner's remarks (at Action pages 10-11) with regard to allowable claim 16. Specifically, claim 1 now recites that the card reader is movable from the fascia, and the fascia itself is movable from the remainder of the machine housing. Claim 1 now also recites that the fascia portion includes the gate. Amended claim 28 likewise recites similar features as claim 1. Claim 28 further recites that the gate has at least one cam surface enabling the gate to cam downward/upward to close/open the fascia portion opening. Applicants respectfully submit that all of the independent claims are now allowable. It follows that the dependent claims are likewise allowable. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance.

Request for Clarification

For purposes of appeal, it is unclear whether claim 14 is rejected over Isozaki/Gardner (Action page 3) or Isozaki/Gardner/Beck (Action page 7). Likewise, it is unclear whether claims 26-27 are rejected over Isozaki/Gardner (Action page 3) or Isozaki/Gardner/Beck (Action page 8).

The undersigned is willing to discuss any aspect of the Application by telephone at the Office's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,



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